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BROADCAST TECHNOLOGY
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by the Government to make the benefits of Broadcast Technology to reach lowest strata of the society in the remote areas of the country;

(b) the major significance of the `BES EXPO 2000 − and International Conference and Exhibition on Terrestrial and Satellite Broadcasting` Organised by BES (India);

(c) whether there is any proposal to have digital transmission in the Metropolitan cities like Delhi, Chennai, Mumbai and Calcutta from this year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF TH DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT
(SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) The Government has taken various steps to ensure that the benefits of Broadcast Technology reach the people in general and the lowest strata of the society in particular in remote places of the country by establishing Local Radio Station, Community Radio Stations and TV Transmitters of varying powers.

(b) BES EXPO − 2000 organised by Broadcast Engineering Society of India

(BES), a non-governmental organisation, was to facilitate exposure to new technological developments and emerging trends in broadcasting.

(c) & (d) : The schemes for setting up of digital TV Terrestrial Transmitters at Delhi, Mumbai, Calcutta and Chennai have been approved and these are expected to be installed before the end of Ninth Plan period.